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**Attention: Pediatricians, Obstetricians, EENT, Audiologists,  
General Practice, Family Practice, and Hospital Providers**

Last year Governor Don Siegelman and the Department of Public Health (DPH) announced a new initiative designed to ensure hospitals with birthing facilities are able to screen for newborn hearing problems using the auditory brainstem response and otoacoustic emissions measures. Equipment has been placed in hospitals statewide by DPH to perform these screenings. The screening itself is not a separately reimbursable service by Medicaid.

To ensure the integrity of the Medicaid program, procedure codes 92585, 92586, 92587, and 92588 are excluded from billing when the place of service is inpatient hospital (21 and 99). Also, these codes may be billed only by the following specialties: Audiologists and EENTs.

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